

House Resolution No. 3553

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse daily activities in order to convey hearty Show-Me State congratulations to state residents who accept new duties and responsibilities at the national level of service in labor unions; and

Whereas, Roosevelt Stewart of Saint Louis, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a labor leader for thirty years in the American Postal Workers Union, which he has served as a shop steward, clerk craft director, director of research and education, director of industrial relations, OWCP specialist, and president for the Saint Louis Gateway District Area Local; and

Whereas, Roosevelt Stewart recently enhanced his already impressive record of achievement when he was selected to serve as the Executive Assistant to APWU National Secretary-Treasurer Terry Stapleton in Washington, DC; and

Whereas, although his new duties and responsibilities will require him to leave Missouri and establish a new domicile, Roosevelt Stewart will still use his Saint Louis-developed leadership and organizational skills for APWU members at the national level of service; and

Whereas, Roosevelt Stewart has developed and maintained an excellent reputation in Saint Louis as one of the area's most progressive and dedicated labor leaders; and

Whereas, since childhood Roosevelt Stewart has been actively involved in political, social, and community issues that have affected his hometown of Saint Louis; and

Whereas, Roosevelt Stewart takes as his motto the words of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., that "An injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere"; and

Whereas, Roosevelt Stewart is a proven leader who embraces holistic leadership by developing new leaders, promoting solidarity, and organizing people to empower themselves, strategically grow, and support their organizations:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in life by Roosevelt Stewart and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success in his new position as Executive Assistant to American Postal Workers Union National Secretary-Treasurer Terry Stapleton; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Roosevelt Stewart of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Robin Wright Jones
District No. 63

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3553, adopted July 7, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker